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To: Durable Medical Equipment (DME) **Memo # : 09-90**
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Subject: **Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment (DME), and Supplies: Fee Schedule, and Coverage Table Updates and New Code Designation Requirement**

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2010, the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) will:

- Update the Fee Schedule for *Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment (DME), and Supplies* using the year 2010 Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System (HCPCS) Level II code additions and deletions as discussed in this memo; and
- Update the coverage table in the current *Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment (DME), and Supplies Billing Instructions*.

This memo also reminds providers of:

- The requirement to use the new code designations outlined in this memo instead of an expedited prior authorization (EPA) number when billing for certain items;
- The requirement to request prior authorization (PA) by using the new General Information Authorization, form DSHS 13-835;
- Previous client eligibility changes effective November 1, 2009;
- Memorandum 09-63 regarding the requirements for General Assistance –Unemployable clients effective November 1, 2009; and
- The requirement to complete ProviderOne registration.

Fee Schedule Update

To view the updated *Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment (DME), and Supplies Fee Schedule*, effective January 1, 2010, visit DSHS/HRSA online at:
<http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/RBRVS#D>.

EPA Code to National Code Crosswalk

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2010, DSHS will require providers to use the following codes in place of the corresponding expedited prior authorization (EPA) codes:

DME EPA National Code Crosswalk		
EPA Number Formerly processed using E1399 and EPA number (Do not use after December 31, 2009)	Description	National Code EPA number no longer required (Use beginning January 1, 2010)
870000755	Child Prone Stander	E0638
870000756	Adult/Youth Prone Stander	E0638
870000757	Infant Prone Stander	E0638
870000758	Adult Prone Stander	E0638
870000766	Bath seat w/o back	E0247
870000771	Caster Shower/commode chair	E0240
870000772	Adj Bath Seat with back	E0247
870000773	Adj Bath/Shower Chair w/back	E0247
870000774	Pediatric Bath Chair	E0240
870000776	Youth Bath Chair	E0240
870000777	Adult Bath Chair	E1399 (with PA)
870000778	Small Potty Chair	E1399 (with PA)
870000779	Large Potty Chair	E1399 (with PA)
870000767	Heavy Duty Bath Chair	E0248

Coverage Table Updates

Effective for dates of service on and after January 1, 2010, DSHS will:

- **Discontinue** the following procedure codes from the wheelchairs coverage table in the current *Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment (DME), and Supplies Billing Instructions*:

Procedure Code
E2223
E2393
E2399

- **Replace** the following discontinued procedure code in the wheelchairs coverage table in the current *Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment (DME), and Supplies Billing Instructions*:

Discontinued Procedure Code	Replace E1340 with the following Procedure Code
E1340	K0739

- Update the “Other DME Coverage Table” and the “Wheelchair Coverage Table” in the current *Wheelchairs, Durable Medical Equipment (DME), and Supplies Billing Instructions*. You may view/download the **updated billing instructions** on the DSHS/HRSA web site at <http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov> (click the **Billing Instructions and Numbered Memorandum** link).

Prior Authorization Requests Using DSHS 13-835

When requesting prior authorization (PA), all providers and managed care organizations must use the General Information for Authorization, form DSHS 13-835. To view and download DSHS forms, visit DSHS online at: <http://www.dshs.wa.gov/msa/forms/efrms.html>.

Update to Client Eligibility Programs

Retroactive to dates of service on and after November 1, 2009, DSHS:

- Revised coverage for adult noncitizens under the following three medical programs (WAC 388-438-0115, -0125, and -0120):
 - ✓ Federally funded Alien Emergency Medical (AEM) program;
 - ✓ State-funded Nursing Facility program; and
 - ✓ State-funded Alien Medical program.

Eligibility criteria for coverage and the services available are different for each medical program listed above. For more information, visit:

<http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/News/aem.htm>.

- Requires General Assistance-Unemployable (GA-U) clients in Washington State to enroll in managed care for purposes of medical benefits. DSHS published this new mandatory enrollment requirement in Numbered Memorandum 09-63. To view numbered memo 09-63, visit DSHS online at:
<http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/download/Memos/2009Memos/09-63.pdf>. For more information, contact the Community Health Plan of Washington at customercare@chpw.org or call 1-800-440-1561.

ProviderOne Registration

To continue to receive payment, providers must complete ProviderOne registration to prepare for ProviderOne implementation. Specific instructions and resources are available at <http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov/providerone/providers.htm>.

How Do I Conduct Business Electronically With DSHS?

You may conduct business electronically with DSHS by accessing the WAMedWeb at <http://wamedweb.acs-inc.com>.

How Can I Get DSHS/HRSA Provider Documents?

To download and print DSHS/HRSA provider numbered memos and billing instructions, go to the DSHS/HRSA website at <http://hrsa.dshs.wa.gov> (click the *Billing Instructions and Numbered Memorandum* link).